

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Docket No. 35551

STATE OF IDAHO,)	2009 Unpublished Opinion No. 548
)	
Plaintiff-Respondent,)	Filed: July 23, 2009
)	
v.)	Stephen W. Kenyon, Clerk
)	
KENNETH SCOTT BECKSTEAD,)	THIS IS AN UNPUBLISHED
)	OPINION AND SHALL NOT
Defendant-Appellant.)	BE CITED AS AUTHORITY
)	

Appeal from the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District, State of Idaho, Jerome County. Hon. John K. Butler, District Judge.

Judgment of conviction and unified sentence of twelve years, with a minimum period of confinement of two years, for sexual abuse of a child under the age of sixteen, affirmed.

Molly J. Huskey, State Appellate Public Defender; Heather M. Carlson, Deputy Appellate Public Defender, Boise, for appellant.

Hon. Lawrence G. Wasden, Attorney General; Lori A. Fleming, Deputy Attorney General, Boise, for respondent.

Before PERRY, Judge; GUTIERREZ, Judge;
and GRATTON, Judge

PER CURIAM

Kenneth Scott Beckstead entered an *Alford*¹ plea to sexual abuse of a child under the age of sixteen. Idaho Code § 18-1506. The district court sentenced Beckstead to a unified term of twelve years, with a minimum period of confinement of two years. Beckstead appeals asserting that the district court abused its discretion by imposing an excessive sentence.

Sentencing is a matter for the trial court's discretion. Both our standard of review and the factors to be considered in evaluating the reasonableness of the sentence are well established.

¹ See *North Carolina v. Alford*, 400 U.S. 25 (1970).

See State v. Hernandez, 121 Idaho 114, 117-18, 822 P.2d 1011, 1014-15 (Ct. App. 1991); *State v. Lopez*, 106 Idaho 447, 449-51, 680 P.2d 869, 871-73 (Ct. App. 1984); *State v. Toohill*, 103 Idaho 565, 568, 650 P.2d 707, 710 (Ct. App. 1982). When reviewing the length of a sentence, we consider the defendant's entire sentence. *State v. Oliver*, 144 Idaho 722, 726, 170 P.3d 387, 391 (2007). Applying these standards, and having reviewed the record in this case, we cannot say that the district court abused its discretion.

Therefore, Beckstead's judgment of conviction and sentence are affirmed.